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Box Non-Fee Amendment
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Re: Amendment Under 37 CFR §1.111 for "Hydraulic Fracturing
Fluids Using Non-ionic Surfactant Gelling Agent"; Serial No.
09/400,812;

Filed September 22, 1999; (Attorney's D# 304-15027-US)

TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Enclosed are:

- [X] One amendment under 37 CFR §1.111 and [] Supplemental
Statement of Disclosure (IDS) under 37 CFR §1.56; (10 pp.);
[] Letter to Draftsman, including;
[] New formal drawings: ____ sheets;
[] Copies of old drawings with changes in red: ____ sheets;
[] PTO-1449 (____ p.);
[] Copy of ____ publication(s) listed in PTO-1449;
[] A Certification for IDS under 37 CFR §1.97(e);
[] One Declaration under 37 CFR §1.132 (____ pp.); and
[] \$____ in the form of a [] check OR [] authorization for deposit
account — to pay for ____ additional independent claims;
month's extension of time and [] Terminal Disclaimer; [] Fee for
submission of an IDS under §1.97(c) in Transmittal; [] Petition fee;
[X] No additional fee is required for additional claims; calculated below:

| | Claims after amendment | Claims previously paid for | Number extra | Rate | Fee |
|---|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|----------|--------|
| Total Claims | 13 | - 20 = | 0 | x \$18 = | \$0.00 |
| Independent Claims | 3 | - 3 = | 0 | x \$78 = | 0.00 |
| Subtotal/ Claims: | | | | | 0.00 |
| Extension of Time Fee: none | | | | | 0.00 |
| Terminal Disclaimer Fee (37 CFR §1.20(d)) for other than small entity | | | | | 0.00 |
| Petition fee | | | | | 0.00 |
| TOTAL: | | | | | \$0.00 |

☐ This a petition under 37 CFR §1.136(a) for an extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed _____. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR §1.136 apply.

(a) ☐ Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136(a) (fees: 37 CFR §1.17(a)-(d)) for the total number of months checked below:

| <u>Extension (months)</u> | <u>Fee for other than small entity</u> | <u>Fee for small entity</u> |
|---------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> one month | \$110.00 | \$55.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> two months | \$400.00 | \$200.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> three months | \$950.00 | \$475.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> four months | \$1,510.00 | \$1,030.00 |
| Fee: | \$ _____ | |

(b) ☒ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the extension of time fee of \$ _____ and the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-0429. This sheet is enclosed in duplicate.

☐ Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR §1.16.

☐ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees during the prosecution of this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-0429. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

☒ Any filing fees under 37 CFR §1.16 for presentation of extra claims.

☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17.

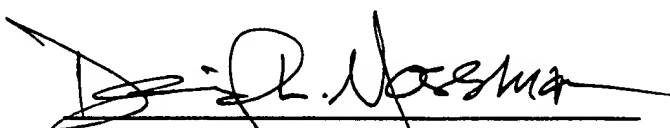
☐ The issue fee set in 37 CFR §1.18 at or before mailing of the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.311(b).

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